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**BY ECF**

Honorable Lewis A. Kaplan  
Daniel Patrick Moynihan  
United States Courthouse  
500 Pearl St.  
New York, NY 10007-1312

Re: *MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger, et al., v. U.S. Dep't of Health and Human Services, et al.*, 21 Civ. 475 (LAK)

Dear Judge Kaplan:

This Office represents the defendant federal agencies and government officials in their official capacities (together, the “government”) in the above-captioned action under the Administrative Procedure Act. Per the parties’ agreed schedule as ordered by the Court, *see* Dkt. No. 62, I write jointly with counsel for plaintiffs to provide a status update.

Earlier this month, as part of the spring 2021 regulatory agenda, the government posted notices stating that the Department of Justice and other agencies that participated in the rule challenged in this action “are engaging in an interagency process to consider revisions” to the rule after the President revoked the executive order on which the challenged rule was based. *See* <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/eAgendaViewRule?pubId=202104&RIN=1105-AB64> (DOJ notice).

Since the last status report, the parties have continued to discuss whether it is possible to resolve the case without litigation, and plan to continue these discussions.

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We thank the Court for its attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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